

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly amend the following claims.

1. (Amended) A method of monitoring an execution of a request for actions transmitted by a server to a card via a terminal, [the] said card including an action counter, [characterised in that it includes] comprising the following steps;

a) on the sending by the server of a message including a request comprising one or more actions to be implemented by the card, the server stores the number [n] of actions in the request;

b) on reception of the message, the card successively executes the action or actions in the request whilst incrementing its action counter between each action if the action is properly executed and refusing this action and [the] successive actions if the action has not been correctly executed, without incrementing its counter; and

c) the variation between the value in the card and the one stored in the server are compared and [it is determined] a determination is made that the last x actions [(commands)] are not executed if the result of the comparison has a difference of x.

2. (Amended) A method according to Claim 1, [characterised in that] wherein, in order to compare the variation between the value in the card and the one stored in the server, the card transmits to the server the current value of its counter before and after execution of the action [command].

3. (Amended) A method according to Claim 1, [characterised in that] wherein, in order [the] to compare the variation between the value in the card and the one stored in the server, the card calculates the value of the variation in its counter following the execution of the action [command] and transmits it to the server.

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4. (Amended) A method according to [one of Claims 2 or 3, characterised in that] Claim 3, wherein the card transmits [the] said values in protected form.

5. (Amended) A method of exchange of messages according to Claim 1, [characterised in that] wherein the value of the card action counter is transmitted in real time[, that is to say] during the current transaction.

6. (Amended) A method of exchanging messages according to Claim 5, [characterised in that] wherein the value of the card action counter is transmitted to the server by means of a message acknowledging the current transaction in the card.

7. (Amended) A method of exchanging messages according to Claim 1, [characterised in that] wherein the value of the card action counter is transmitted in non-real time.

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8. (Amended) A method of exchanging messages according to Claim 7,  
[characterised in that] wherein the value of the card action counter is transmitted to the  
server by means of a message of a new transaction request by the card for the server.

9. (Amended) A method of exchanging messages according to Claim 7,  
[characterised in that] wherein the value of the card action counter is transmitted by means  
of an information message sent by the card to the server.

~~Cancel claim 10.~~

~~Add the following new claims:~~

--11. A method according to Claim 2, wherein the card transmits said values in  
protected form.

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12. A microprocessor card, comprising:  
an application which executes actions in response to a transaction request  
received from a server;  
an action counter; and  
a counter manager which increments said action counter upon proper  
execution of each action and inhibits the incrementing of the counter for any action which is  
not properly executed and all successive actions in a transaction, and which transmits the  
value of said counter to the server.

13. The microprocessor card of claim 12, wherein said value is transmitted in a protected form.

14. The microprocessor card of claim 12, wherein said value is transmitted in *AT*  
*cmcd* real time during the transaction.

15. The microprocessor card of claim 14 wherein said value is transmitted together with an acknowledgment message pertaining to a current transaction.

16. The microprocessor card of claim 12 wherein said value is transmitted in non-real time after the transaction has terminated.

17. The microprocessor card of claim 16 wherein said value is transmitted together with a message sent by the card requesting a new transaction.--

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